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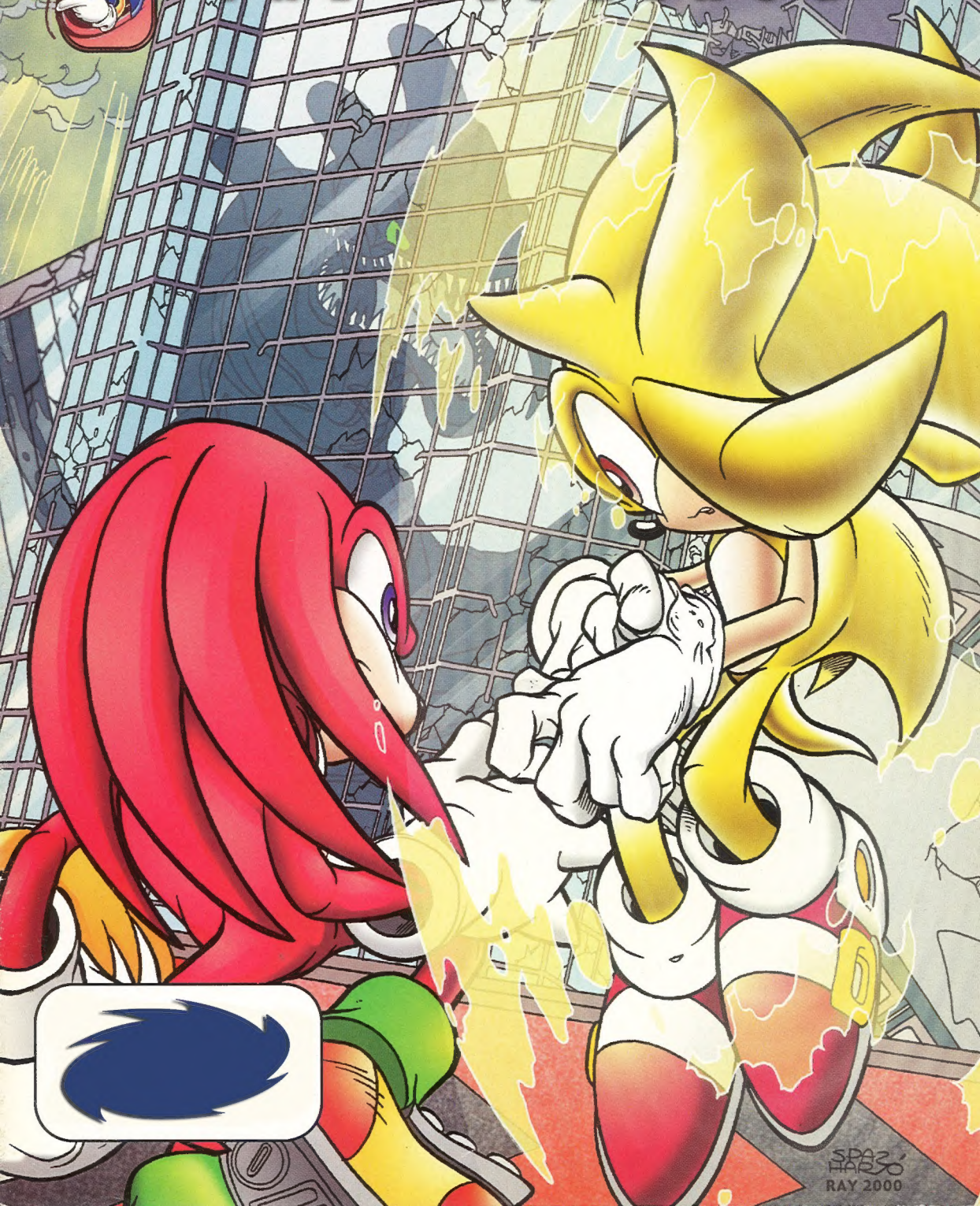


THE WORLD'S MOST WAY PAST COOL COMIC!

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THE HEDGEHOG

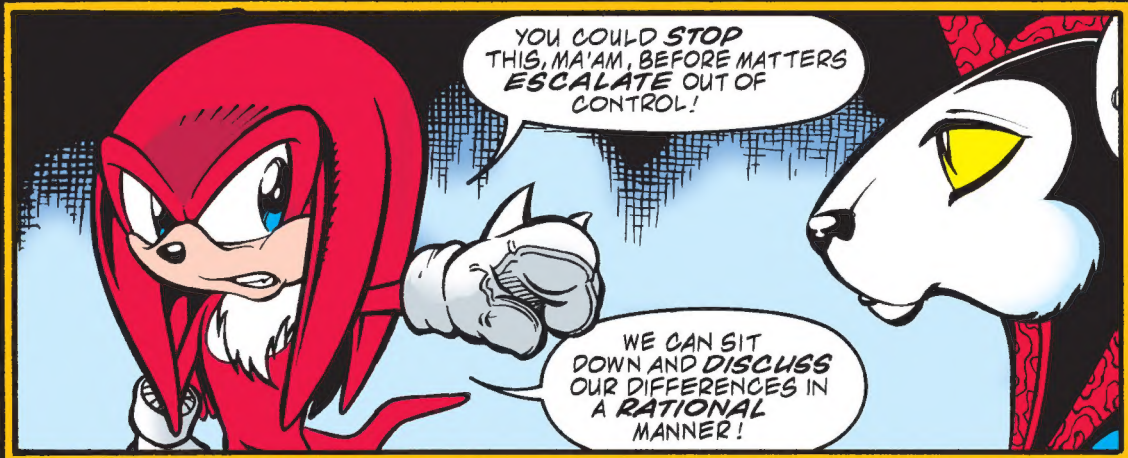


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DEEP INSIDE THE HEART OF THE MYSTERIOUS CAT COUNTRY, WE FIND THE CHAOTIX--ESPIO, MIGHTY, VECTOR AND JULIE-SU--ANXIOUSLY WATCHING AS THE GUARDIAN LOCKE PREPARES FOR MORTAL COMBAT AGAINST THE CATQUEEN'S CHOSEN CHAMPION--

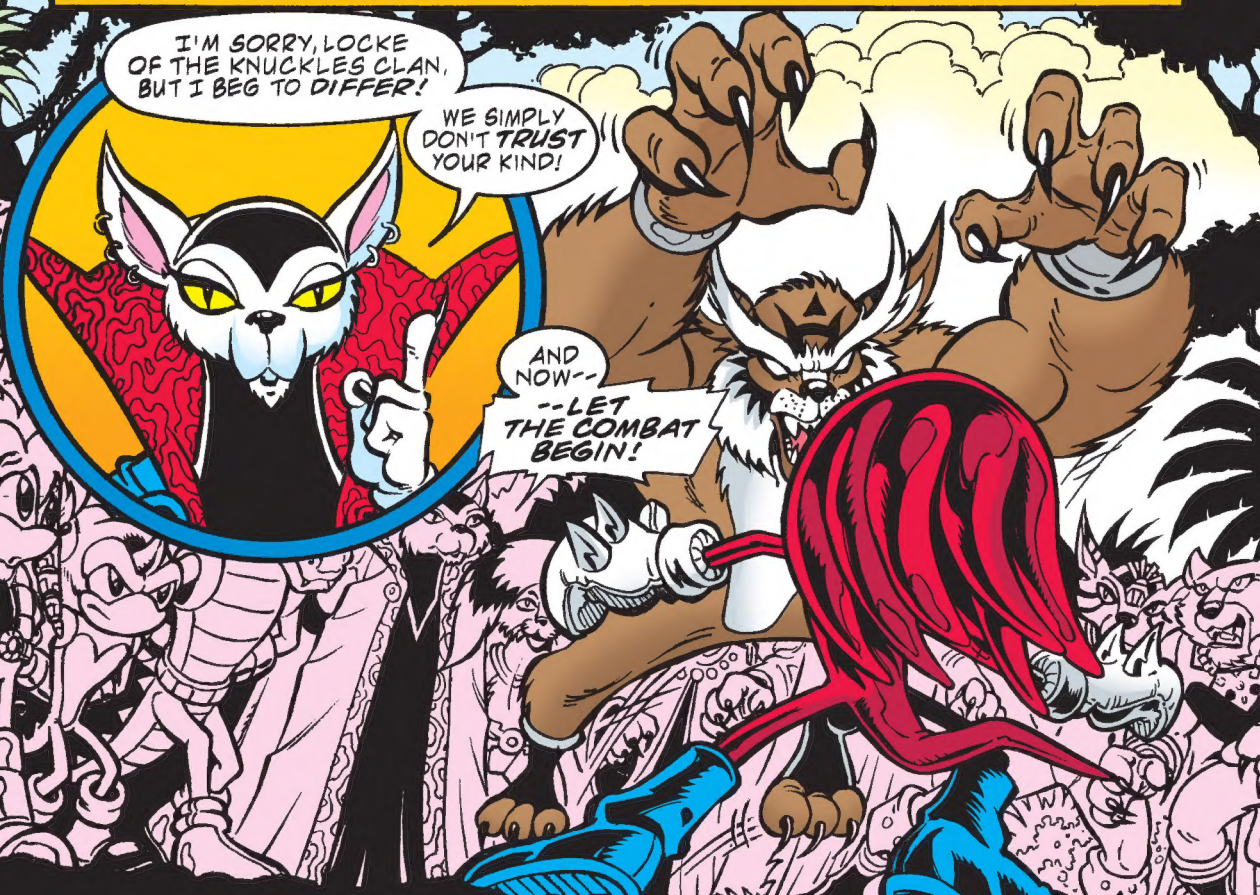


--THE FEROCIOUS RAZORKLAW!



YOU COULD STOP THIS, MA'AM, BEFORE MATTERS ESCALATE OUT OF CONTROL!

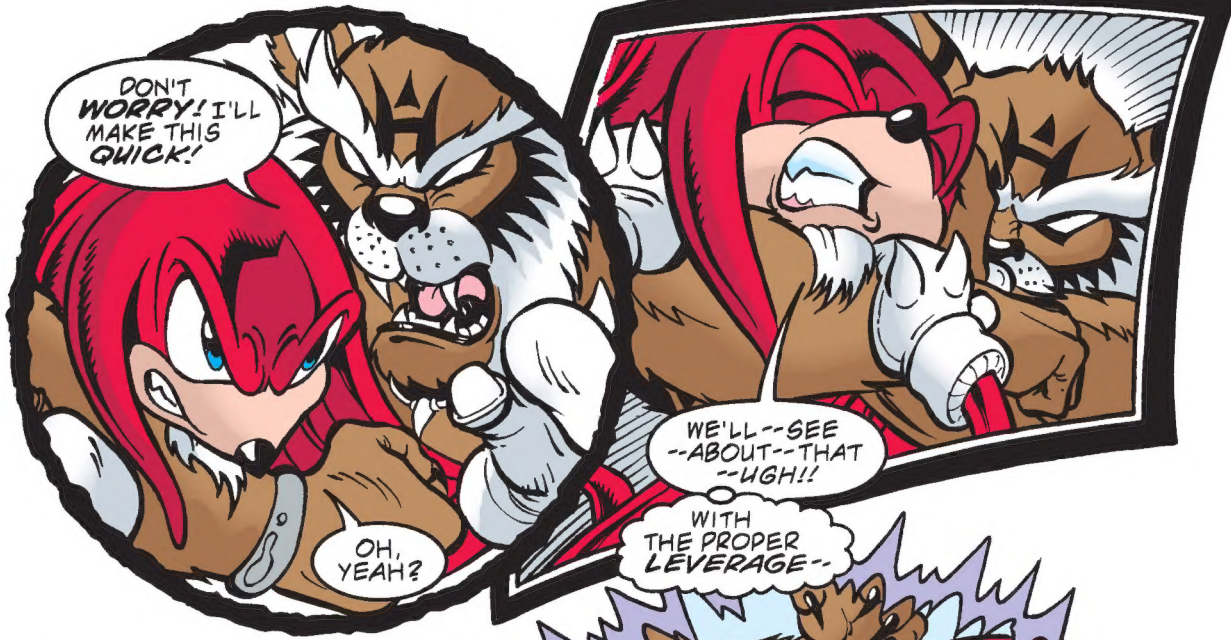
WE CAN SIT DOWN AND DISCUSS OUR DIFFERENCES IN A RATIONAL MANNER!



I'M SORRY, LOCKE OF THE KNUCKLES CLAN, BUT I BEG TO DIFFER!

WE SIMPLY DON'T TRUST YOUR KIND!

AND NOW--
--LET THE COMBAT BEGIN!

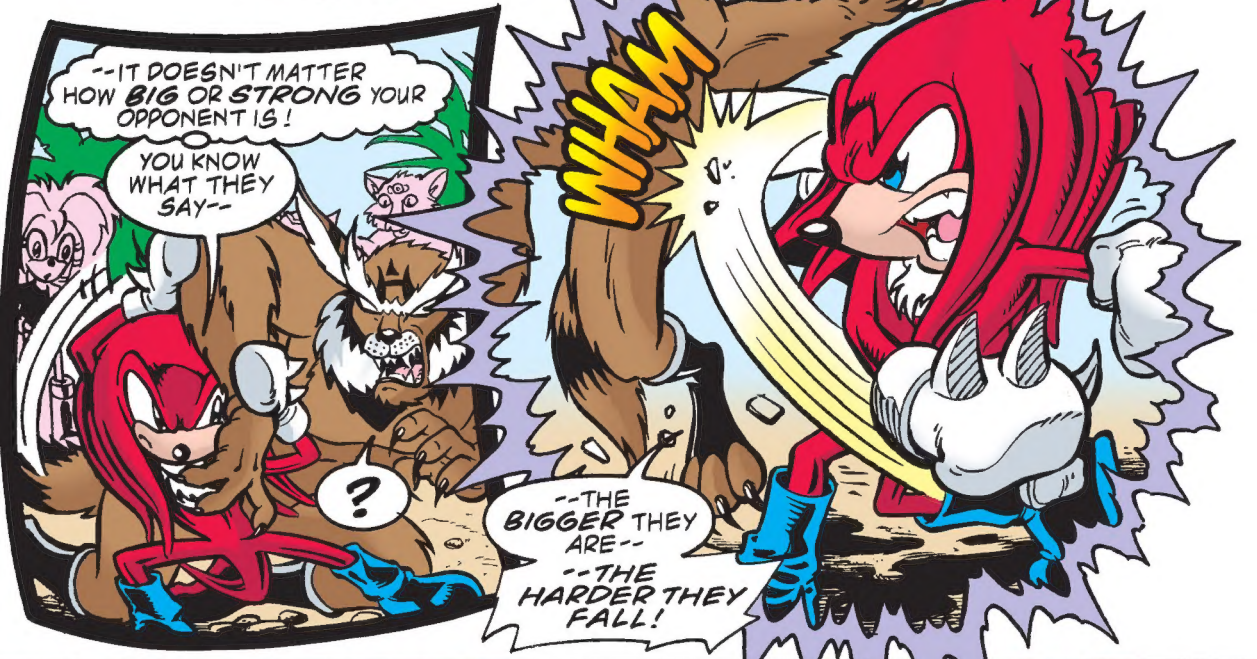


DON'T WORRY! I'LL MAKE THIS QUICK!

OH, YEAH?

WE'LL--SEE --ABOUT--THAT --UGH!!

WITH THE PROPER LEVERAGE--



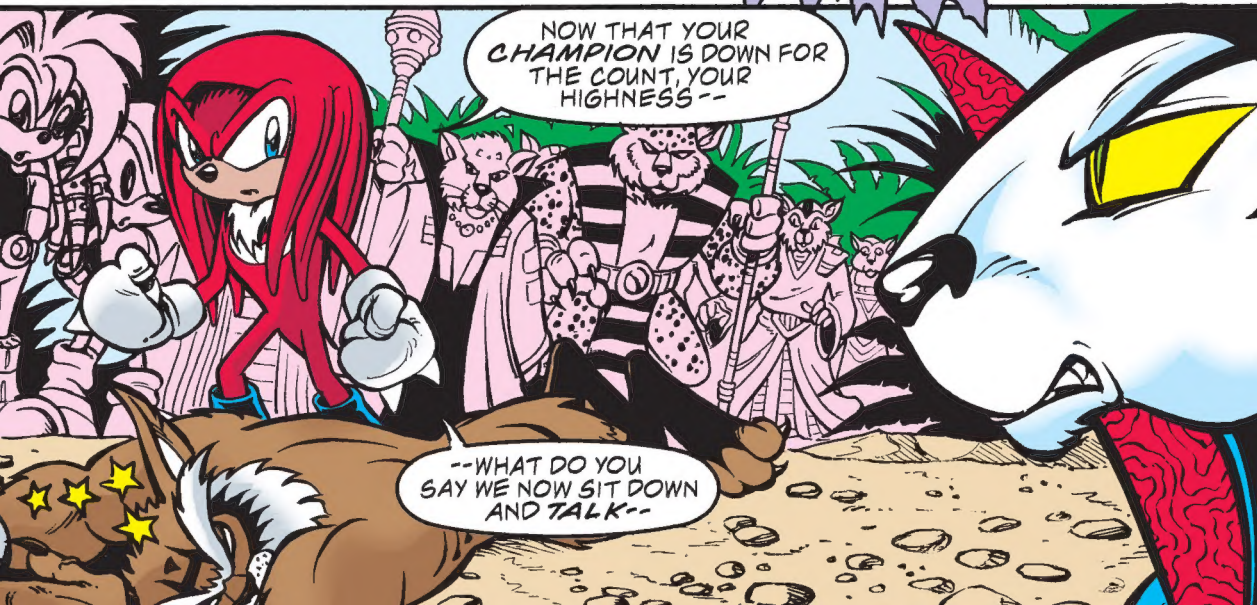
--IT DOESN'T MATTER HOW BIG OR STRONG YOUR OPPONENT IS!

YOU KNOW WHAT THEY SAY--

?

--THE BIGGER THEY ARE-- --THE HARDER THEY FALL!

WHAM



NOW THAT YOUR CHAMPION IS DOWN FOR THE COUNT, YOUR HIGHNESS--

--WHAT DO YOU SAY WE NOW SIT DOWN AND TALK--

"BEFORE I REALLY GET MAD!"

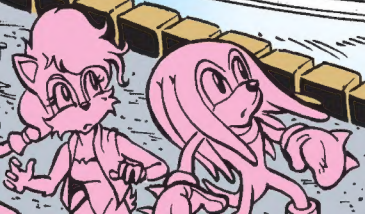
SPEAKING OF GETTING MAD, WITHIN THE HIDDEN CITY OF THE ANCIENTS WE FIND SOME FAMILIAR FIGURES WATCHING AS AN ENRAGED CHAOS STRIKES BACK AT THE CAUSE OF HIS ANGER--

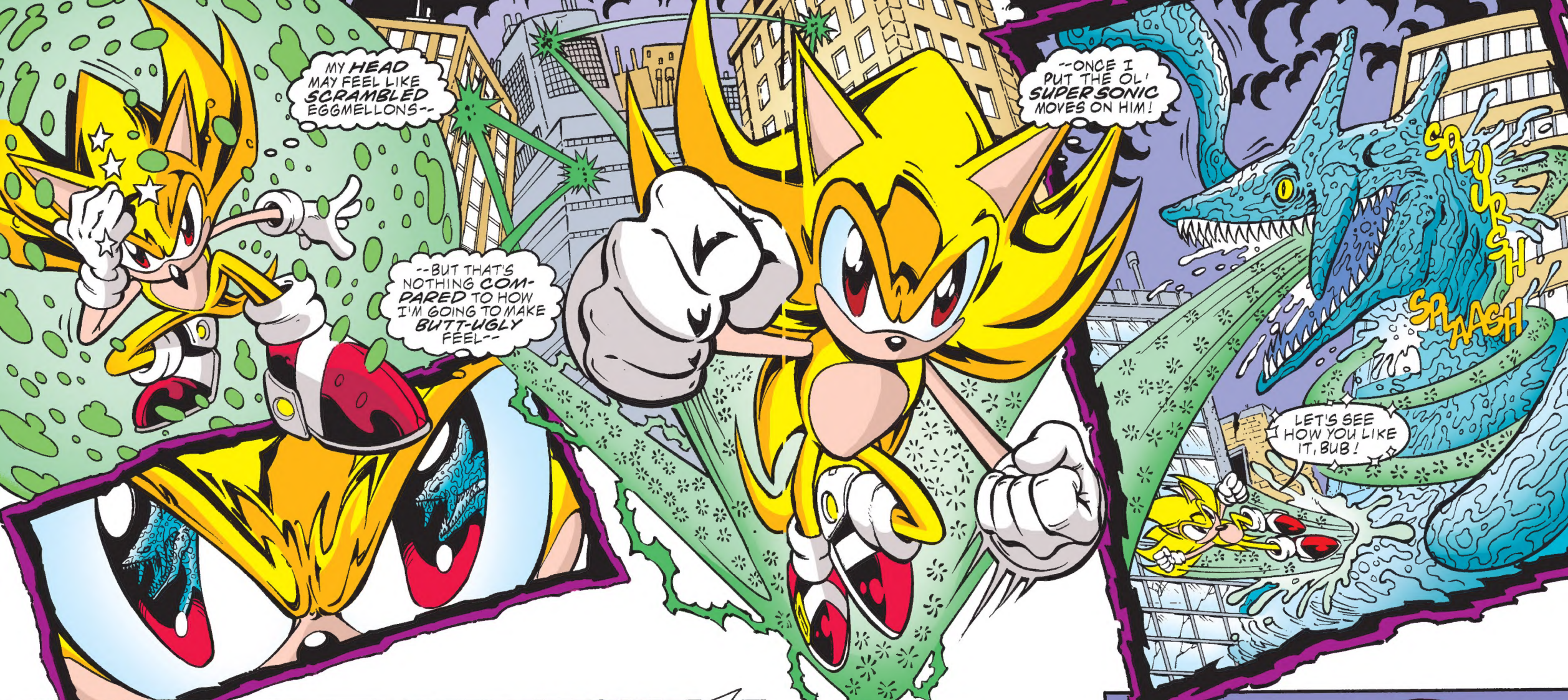
YEEOWW!

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KRAK KRAK

PERFECT
CHAOS





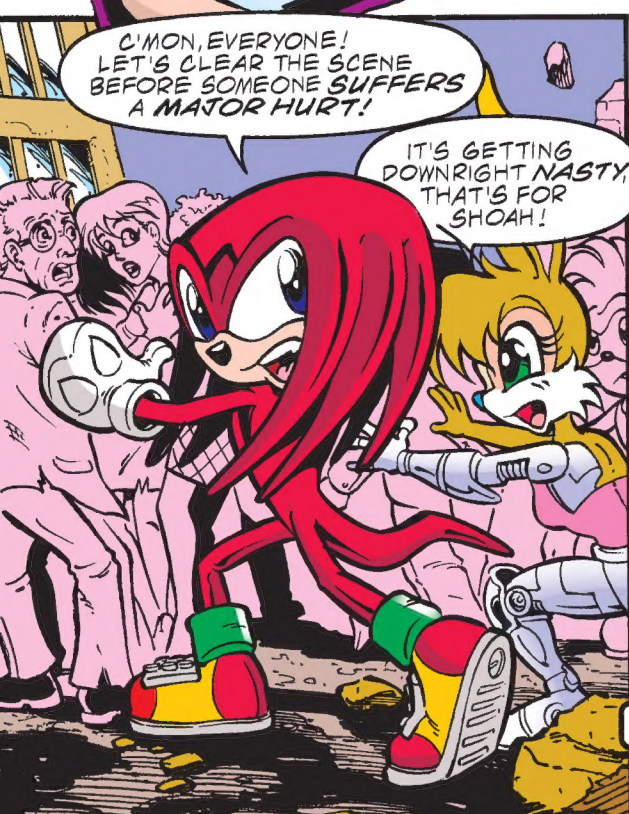
MY HEAD MAY FEEL LIKE SCRAMBLED EGGMELLONS--

--ONCE I PUT THE OL' SUPERSONIC MOVES ON HIM!

--BUT THAT'S NOTHING COMPARED TO HOW I'M GOING TO MAKE BUTT-UGLY FEEL--

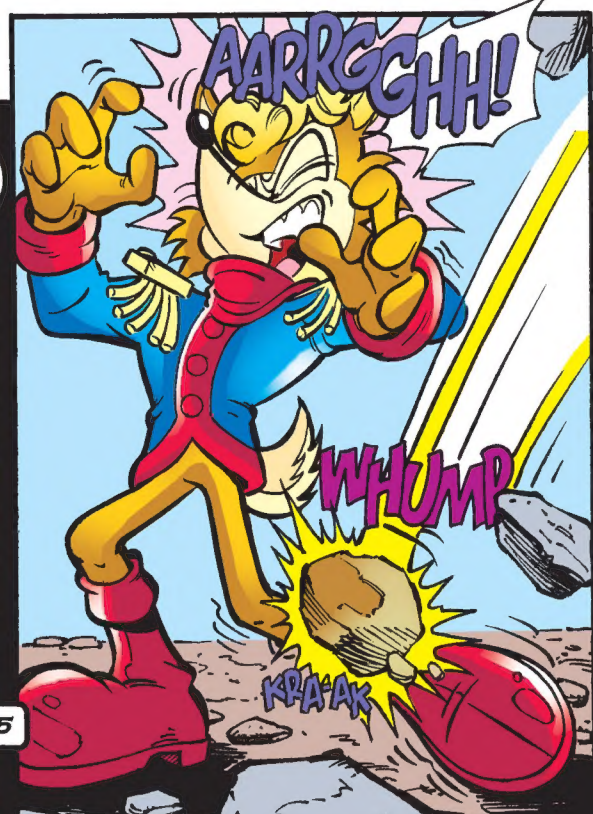
LET'S SEE HOW YOU LIKE IT, BUB!

SAWYER SH
SRAASH



C'MON, EVERYONE! LET'S CLEAR THE SCENE BEFORE SOMEONE SUFFERS A MAJOR HURT!

IT'S GETTING DOWNRIGHT NASTY, THAT'S FOR SHOAH!



AARRGGHH!

WHUMP

KRAAK

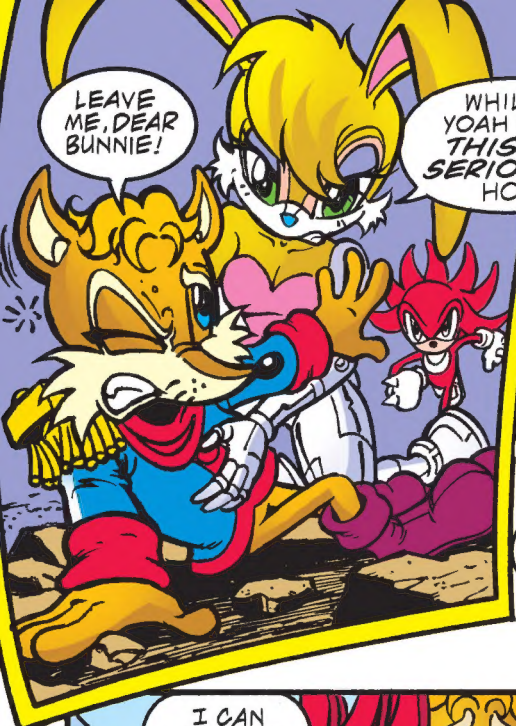


SUGAH-TWAN!

KEEP MOVING EVERYONE BACK--

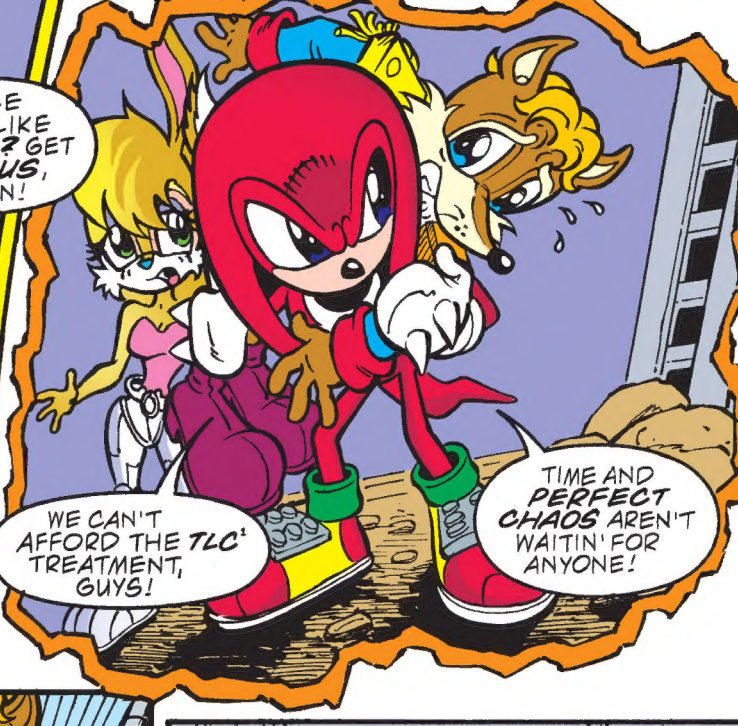


--WHILE I TAKE CARE OF ANTOINE!



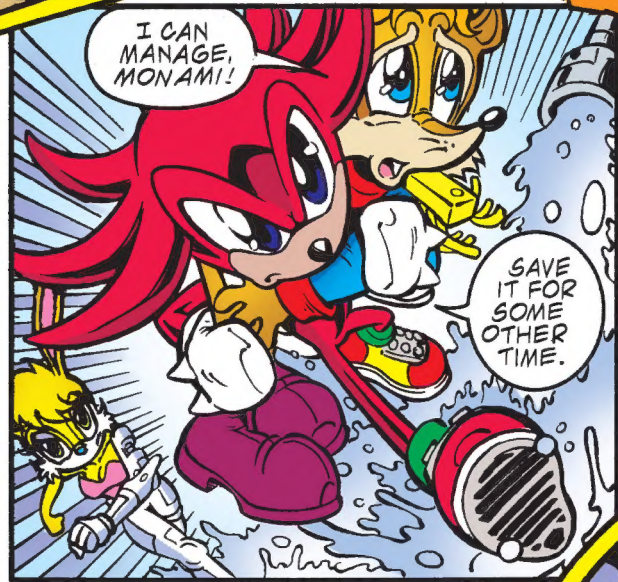
LEAVE ME, DEAR BUNNIE!

WHILE YOAH LIKE THIS? GET SERIOUS, HON!



WE CAN'T AFFORD THE TLC! TREATMENT, GUYS!

TIME AND PERFECT CHAOS AREN'T WAITIN' FOR ANYONE!

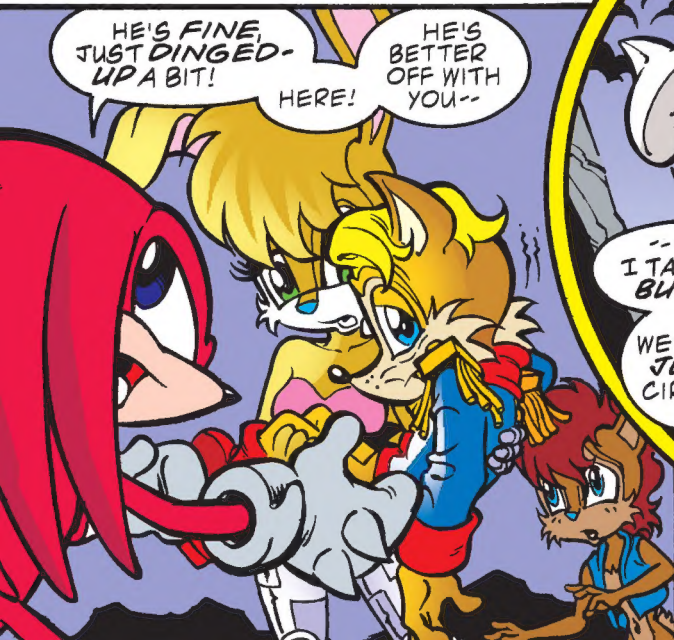


I CAN MANAGE, MON AMI!

SAVE IT FOR SOME OTHER TIME.



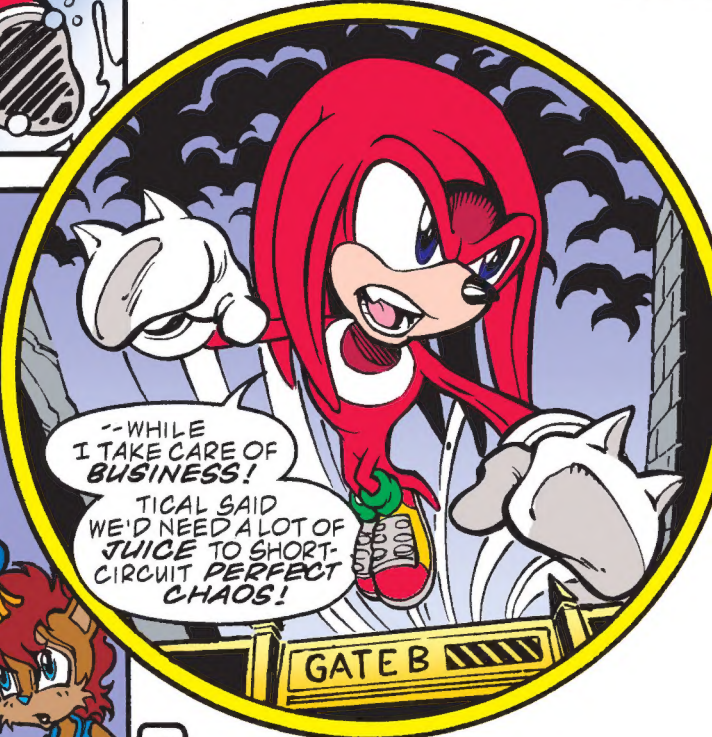
ANTOINE! ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?



HE'S FINE JUST DINGED-UP A BIT!

HERE!

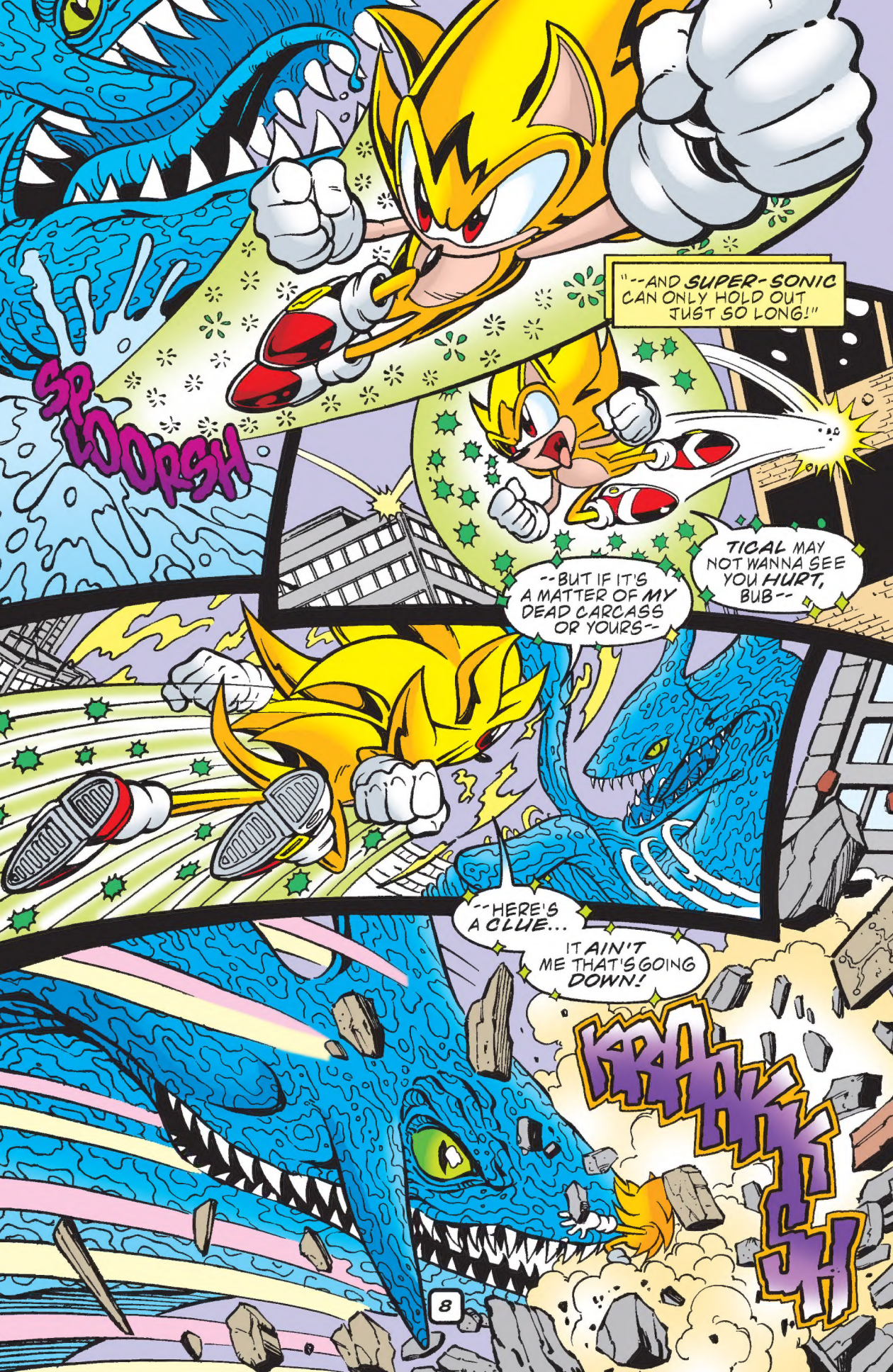
HE'S BETTER OFF WITH YOU--



--WHILE I TAKE CARE OF BUSINESS!

TICAL SAID WE'D NEED A LOT OF JUICE TO SHORT-CIRCUIT PERFECT CHAOS!

GATE B



"--AND SUPER-SONIC CAN ONLY HOLD OUT JUST SO LONG!"

SP
WOORSH

--BUT IF IT'S A MATTER OF MY DEAD CARCASS OR YOURS--

TICAL MAY NOT WANNA SEE YOU HURT, BUB--

--HERE'S A CLUE...

IT AIN'T ME THAT'S GOING DOWN!

KRAK
KRAK
KRAK
KRAK
KRAK

"HOW ABOUT WE TRY THAT AGAIN?"

I DIDN'T COME HERE TO MAKE WAR, YOUR HIGHNESS!

I CAME TO SOLVE A PROBLEM AND ENSURE THE SAFETY OF MY SON'S FRIENDS!

PAST EXPERIENCE MAKES ME WONDER WHETHER THERE IS AN ULTERIOR MOTIVE AT STAKE HERE, LOCKE!

WE'RE A PEOPLE WHO TEND TO AVOID DEALING WITH OUTSIDERS! ESPECIALLY YOUR KIND!

I KNOW FROM STUDYING FAMILY HISTORY THAT NOT ALL MY ANCESTORS LED EXEMPLARY LIVES, YOUR HIGHNESS--

--BUT MORE OFTEN THAN NOT, MY FAMILY HAS CONTRIBUTED TO THE COMMON GOOD OF ALL!

AND WHAT DOES YOUR FAMILY HISTORY TELL YOU ABOUT--

HIM?

AS LOCKE PONDS HIS ANSWER, WE TURN OUR ATTENTION ONCE AGAIN TO HIS SON...

JUST MY LUCK!

WAH-HOO! THERE'S THE GENERATOR STATION THAT POWERS THE CITY!

THAT'S GOTTA DO THE TRICK!

THE PLACE IS FLOODED OUT--

--AND ME AND WATER DON'T EXACTLY MIX!

I CAN'T-- I CAN'T--

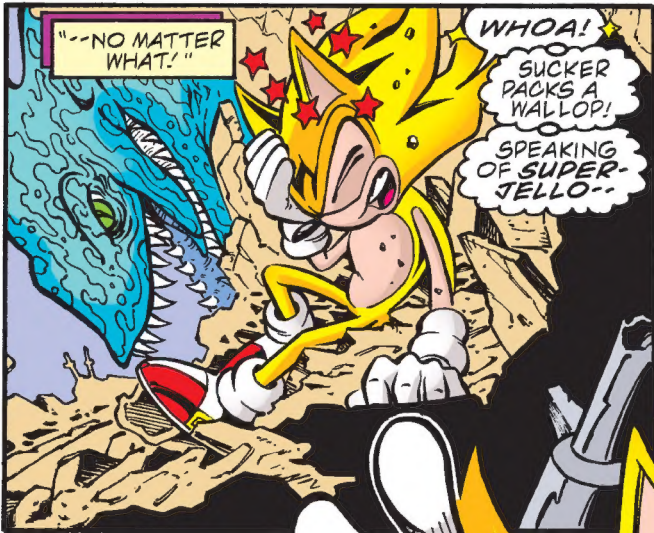
SPLASH

I JUST GOTTA!

GLUB GLUB GLUB

STEADY-- STEADY--

JUST FOLLOW THE PIPES--



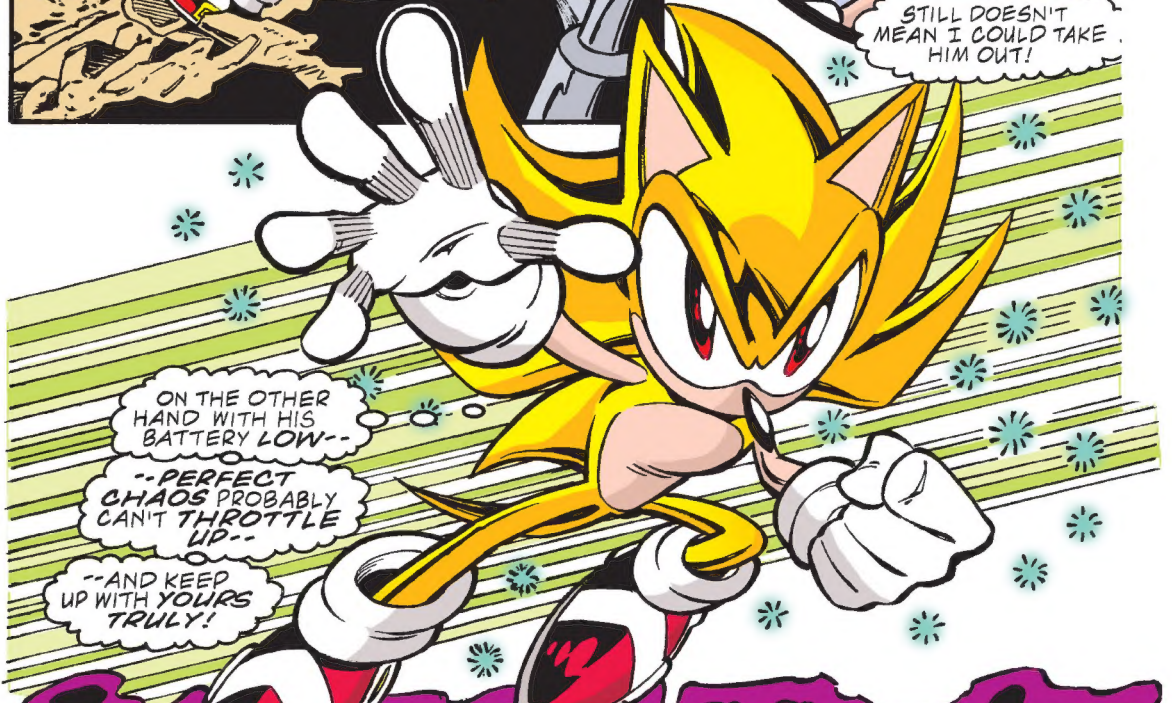
"--NO MATTER WHAT!"

WHOA!
SUCKER
PACKS A
WALLOP!
SPEAKING
OF SUPER-
JELLO--



--HE LOOKS
AS DAZED AS I
FEEL!

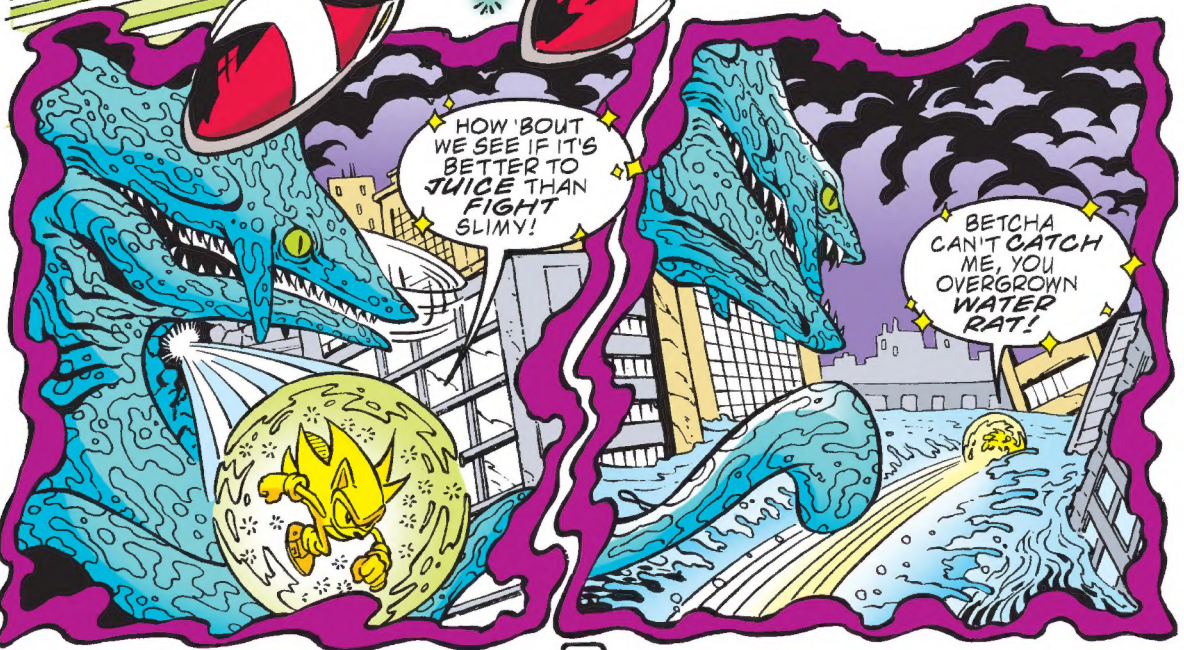
STILL DOESN'T
MEAN I COULD TAKE
HIM OUT!



ON THE OTHER
HAND WITH HIS
BATTERY LOW--

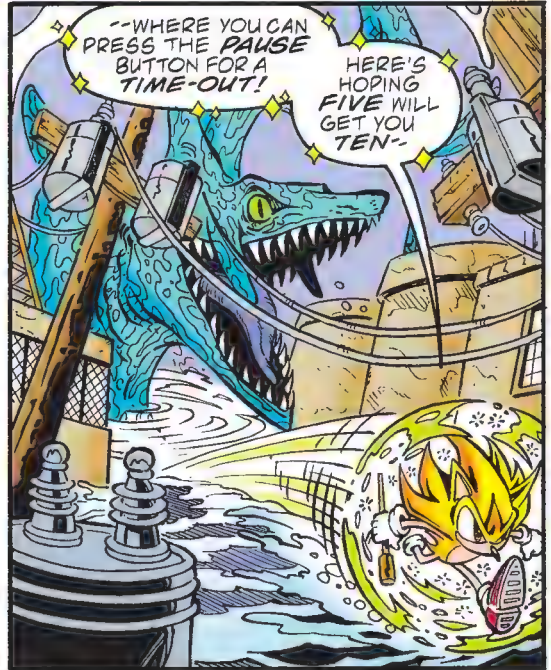
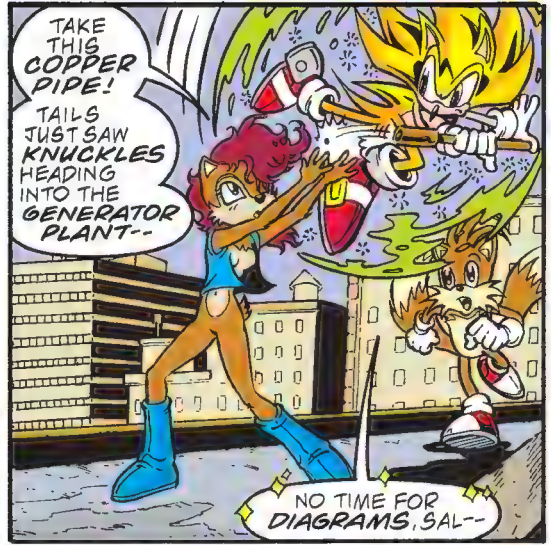
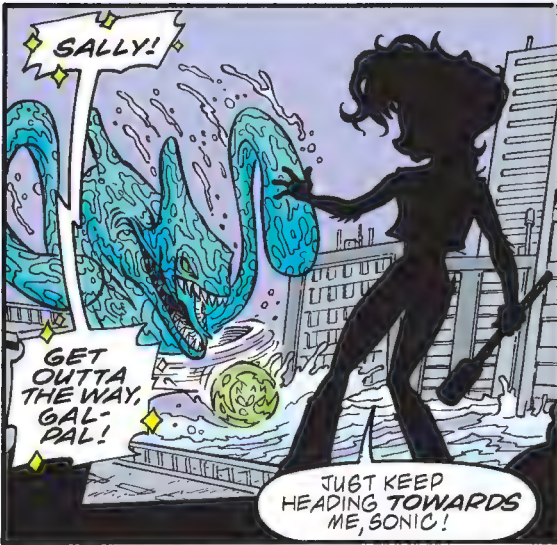
--PERFECT
CHAOS PROBABLY
CAN'T THROTTLE
UP--

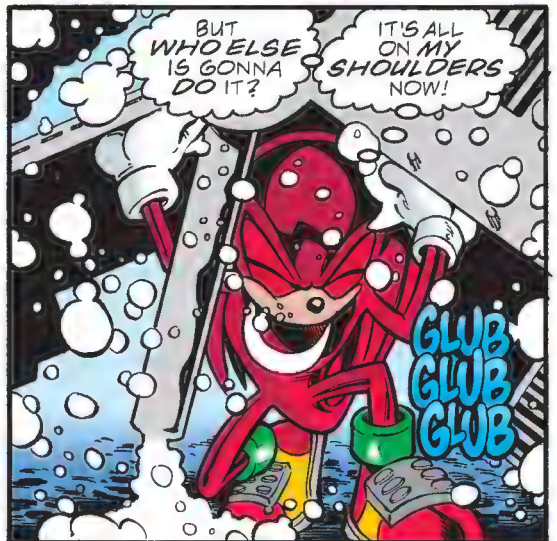
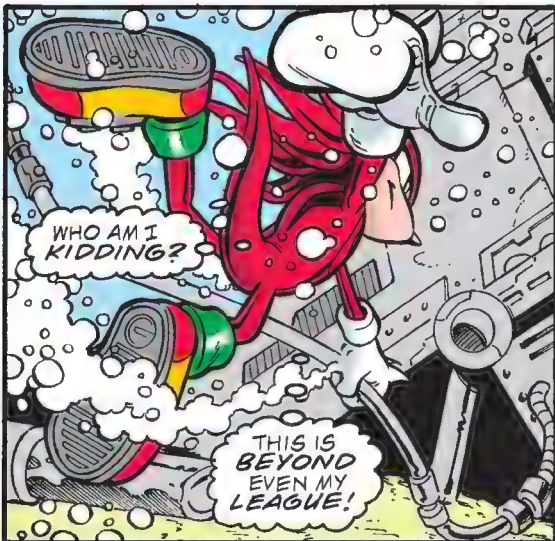
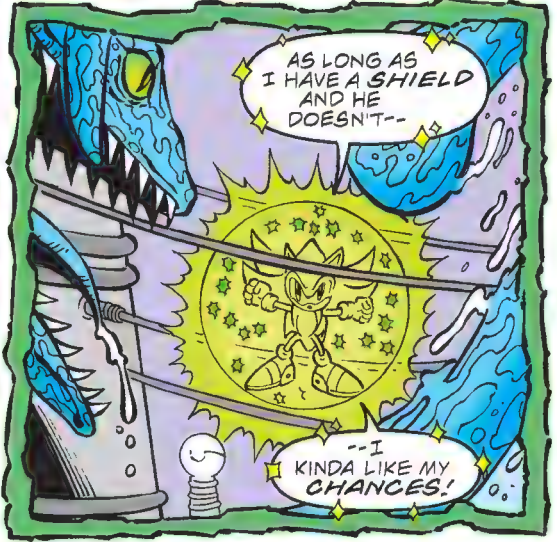
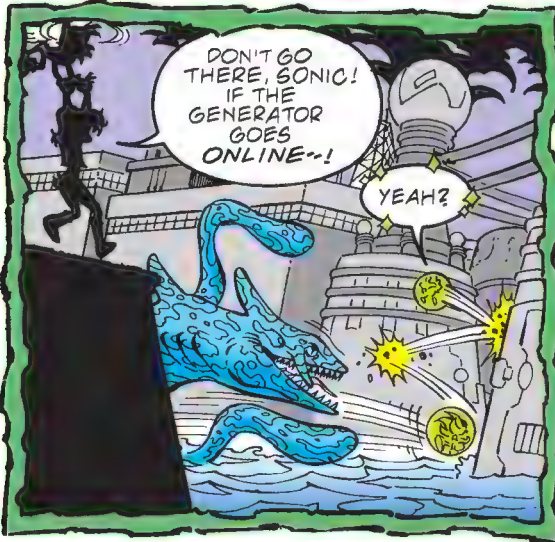
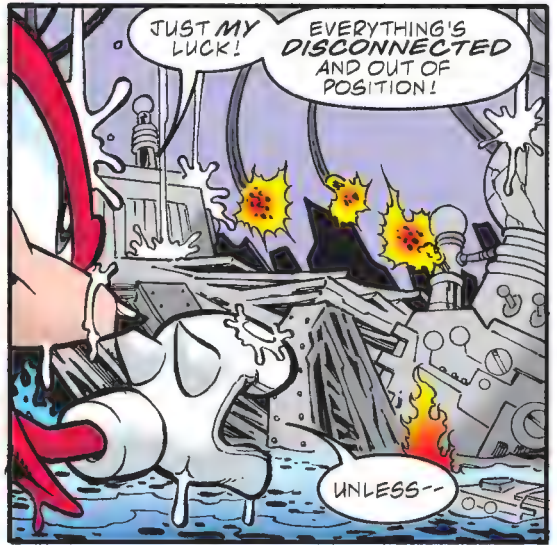
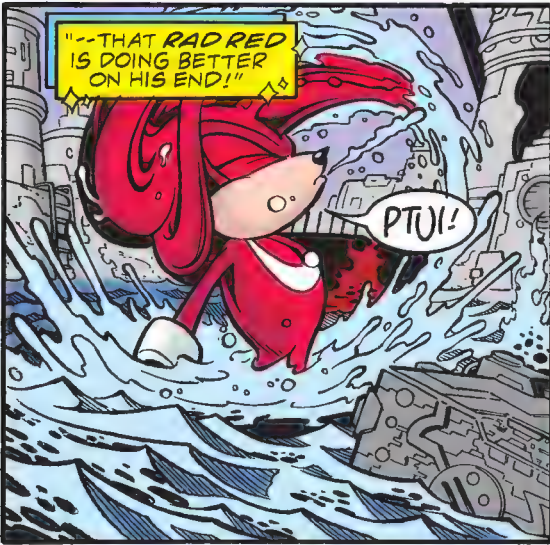
--AND KEEP
UP WITH YOURS
TRULY!



HOW 'BOUT
WE SEE IF IT'S
BETTER TO
JUICE THAN
FIGHT
SLIMY!

BETCHA
CAN'T CATCH
ME, YOU
OVERGROWN
WATER
RAT!





THERE'S--

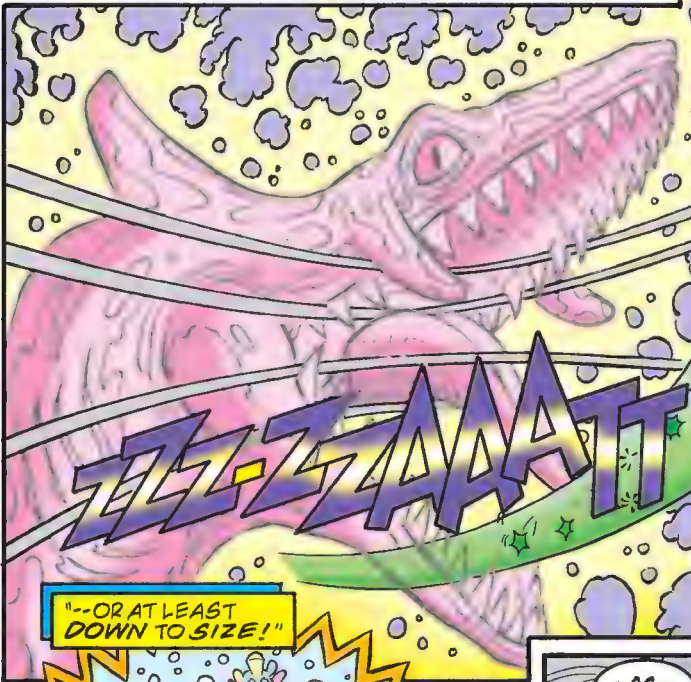
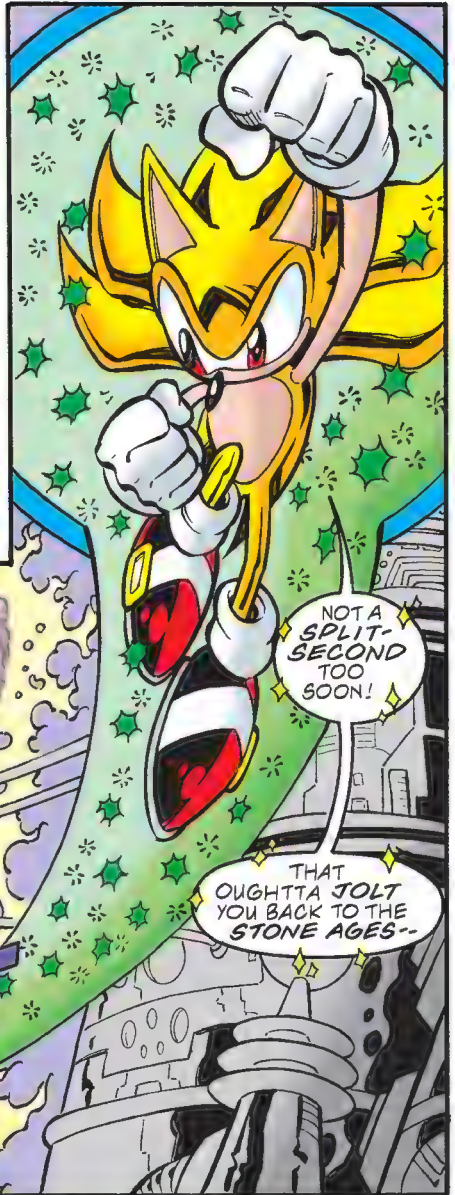
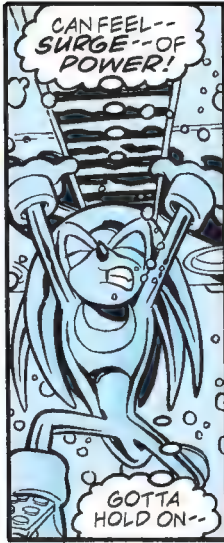
--NOBODY--

--BUT--

--ME!

I DID IT!





"--OR AT LEAST DOWN TO SIZE!"



GIMME YOUR MITT!

WHAT'S THE SCORE?

THE GOOD GUYS WON!
WHAT ELSE DID YOU EXPECT?

THEN WHAT'S WITH THE LIGHT SHOW?

YOU'VE DONE WELL-- ALL OF YOU!

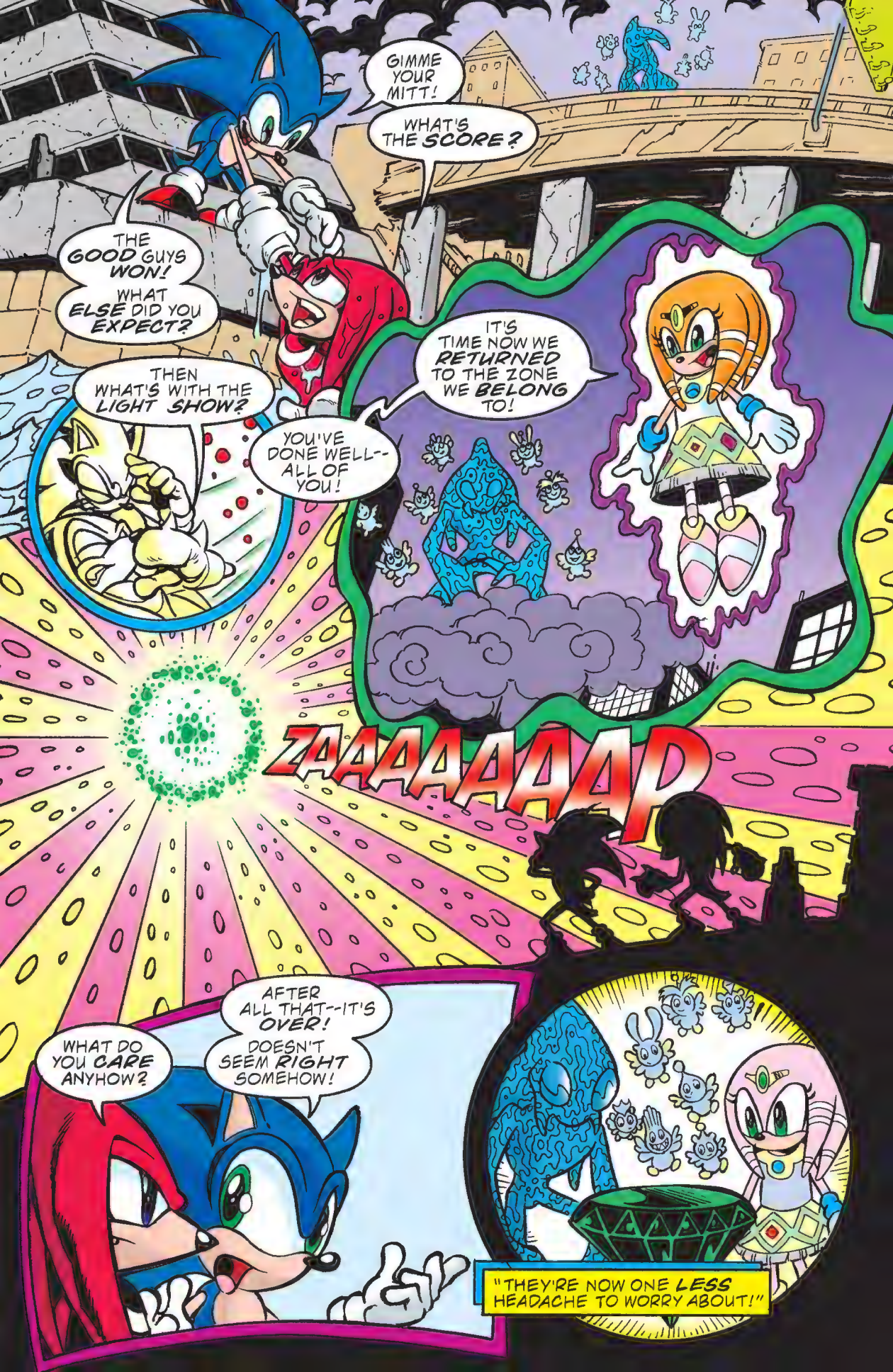
IT'S TIME NOW WE RETURNED TO THE ZONE WE BELONG TO!

ZAAAAAADAP

WHAT DO YOU CARE ANYHOW?

AFTER ALL THAT--IT'S OVER!
DOESN'T SEEM RIGHT SOMEHOW!

"THEY'RE NOW ONE LESS HEADACHE TO WORRY ABOUT!"



AS FOR ME, I'VE GOTTA GET THESE CHAOS SHARDS BACK AND FIGURE OUT HOW TO RESTORE THE FLOATING ISLAND WITH 'EM!

NEED ANY HELP?

NAH! I'LL PROBABLY HAVE ALL I NEED BACK AT THE RANCH!

THEN TAKE CARE, KNUCKLES!

LATER, BIG GUY!

THINK OUR SONIC ADVENTURE IS GAME OVER?! THEN TURN THE PAGE WHILE WE TIE UP A FEW LOOSE ENDS WITH EVERYONE'S FAVORITE RAD RED!

AS FOR EVERYONE'S FAVORITE BLUE BLUR, BE HERE NEXT ISSUE!

Born to the most noble of Echidna houses, the latest to continue the family heritage and responsibility as Guardian of The Floating Island, defender of all against the forces of evil from the world beyond as well as those who would threaten from within!

ARCHIE COMICS AND SEGA PRESENT... **KNUCKLES THE ECHIDNA!**

WITH THE **CHAOS EMERALD SHARDS** ONCE AGAIN IN HIS POSSESSION, **KNUCKLES** RETURNS TO THE **FLOATING ISLAND**, CURRENTLY IN THE PREDICAMENT OF TAKING ON WATER SINCE IT WAS RENDERED **INERT** WHEN THE **CHAOS EMERALD** WAS STOLEN.

AS HE ARRIVES VIA AN ENERGY ZONE PORTAL, A FLASH OF LIGHT IMMEDIATELY ATTRACTS HIS ATTENTION...

WITHOUT THE **GUIDING STAR GEM**, I'D BE ONE **LOST ECHIDNA!**

BUT IT WON'T BE **HOMESWEET HOME** IF I CAN'T GET THE **FLOATING ISLAND SOARING** AMONG THE **CLOUDS** AGAIN!

WHOA!
WHAT'S WITH THE **LIGHT SHOW?**

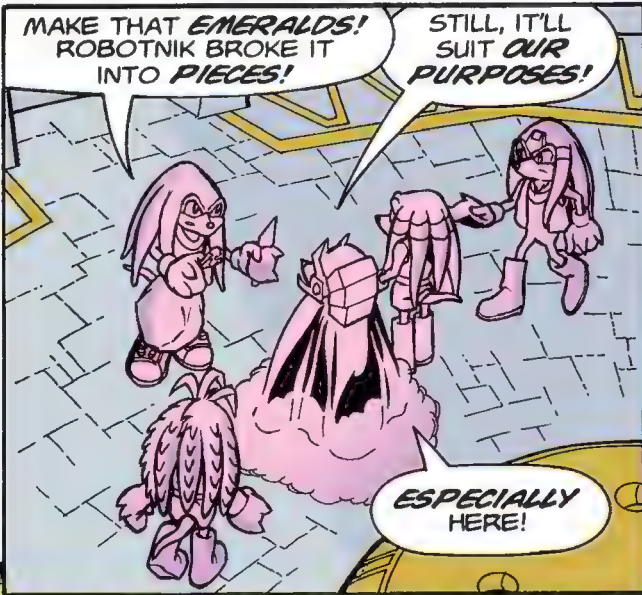
**BRIDGE
OVER
TROUBLED
WATERS**

LOOKS LIKE OUR LAD SAW YOUR **SIGNAL SPECTRE!**

AT THE RATE THE ISLAND IS GRADUALLY **SINKING**, WE DON'T HAVE TIME TO WASTE, **SABRE!**

KNUCKLES!
OVER HERE!

I TAKE IT YOU HAVE THE **CHAOS EMERALD** WITH YOU!



MAKE THAT *EMERALDS!*
ROBOTNIK BROKE IT
INTO *PIECES!*

STILL, IT'LL
SUIT *OUR*
PURPOSES!

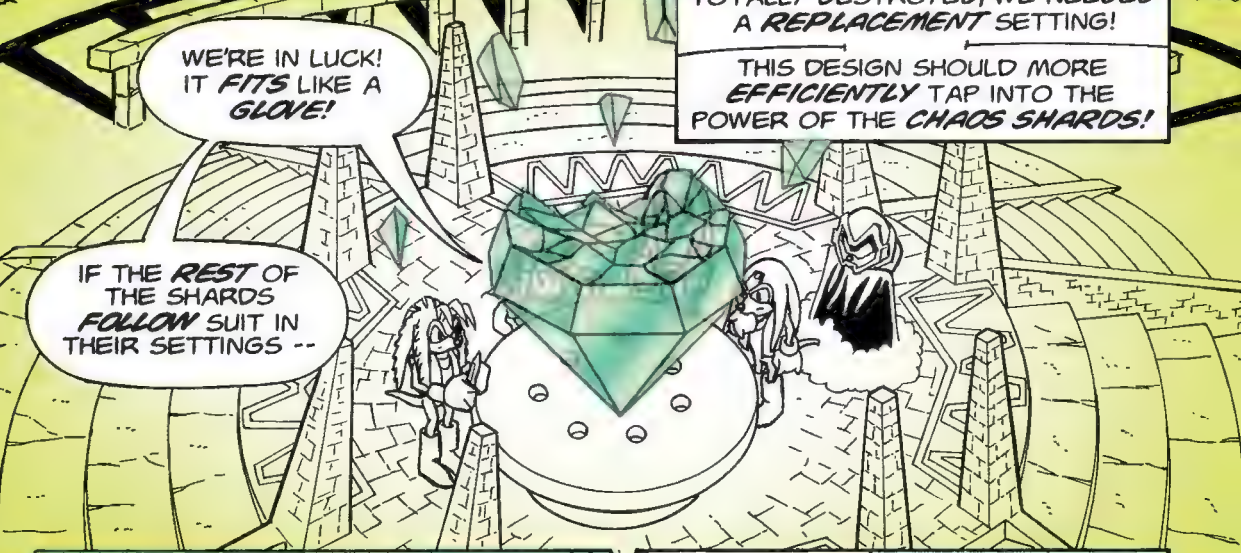
ESPECIALLY
HERE!

DEJA VU! THIS
PLACE LOOKS
FAMILIAR!



WITH THE *CHAOS CHAMBER*
TOTALLY DESTROYED, WE NEEDED
A *REPLACEMENT* SETTING!

THIS DESIGN SHOULD MORE
EFFICIENTLY TAP INTO THE
POWER OF THE *CHAOS SHARDS!*



WE'RE IN LUCK!
IT *FITS* LIKE A
GLOVE!

IF THE *REST* OF
THE SHARDS
FOLLOW SUIT IN
THEIR SETTINGS --



-- WE'RE IN
BUSINESS!

ALL
SYSTEMS
ARE GO!



GREAT! NOW
THAT WE HAVE
LIFT-OFF --

-- DOES ANYONE
KNOW *WHERE* MY
FATHER IS?

A FEW MINUTES LATER, AS A PAIR OF WARY GUARDSMEN STAND WATCH ON THE BEACH...

WHAT DO YOU THINK? SHOULD WE SOUND THE ALARM?

I WOULDN'T JUMP TO ANY CONCLUSIONS --

-- UNTIL WE SEE WHO IT IS!

RRRRRRRRROARRR

YOU WANT ME TO ACCOMPANY YOU, KNUCKLES?

NAH, I'LL BE ALL RIGHT, GRANDFATHER THUNDERHAWK!

HI, GUYS!

STEP THIS WAY!

SURE! WHATEVER! WE'RE FRIENDS HERE, RIGHT?

STUMBLE OVER ANYONE LIKE ME RECENTLY?

FURTHER INTO THE JUNGLE, WE FIND...

WHADDYA MAKE OF THAT, MIGHTY?

DIDN'T WE SEE SOMETHING LIKE IT BACK ON THE FLOATING ISLAND, JULIE-SU?

AT THE DARK LEGION COMPLEX, ESPIO!

SOMEONE'S SURE GOT TALENT, VECTOR!

WHAT'S AT THE DARK LEGION COMPLEX, GUYS?

KNUCKLES!!! YOU'RE ALIVE!!!

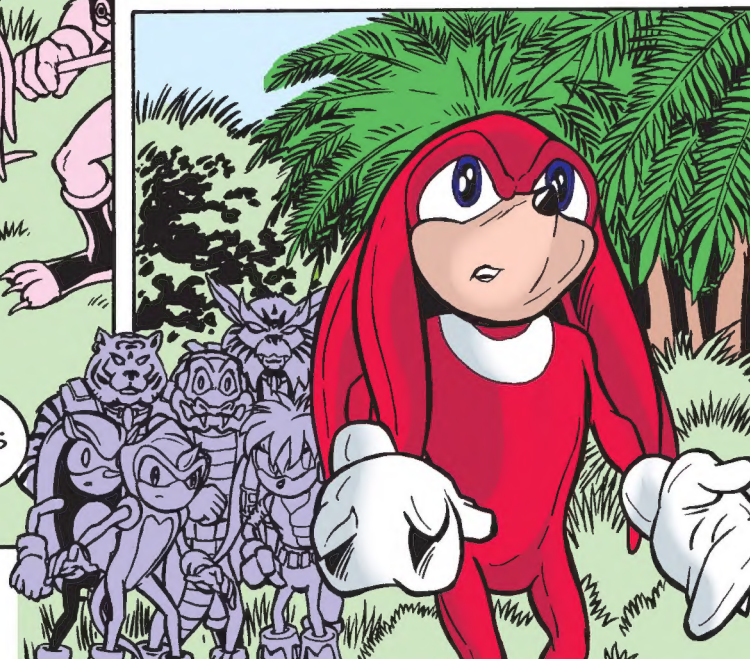
LAST I CHECKED!

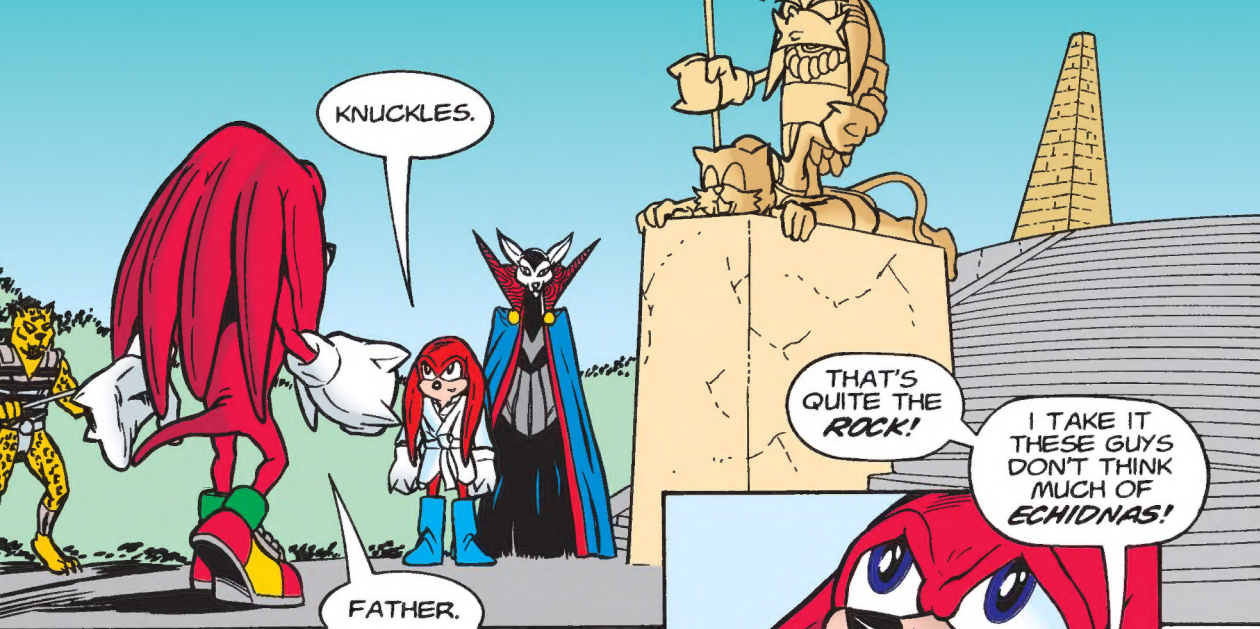
ABOUT TIME YOU SHOWED YOUR FACE!

SO --?

IS ANYONE GONNA SPILL WHAT'S WITH ALL THE DROPPED JAWS?

YOU'RE GOING TO WANT TO CHECK THIS OUT YOURSELF!



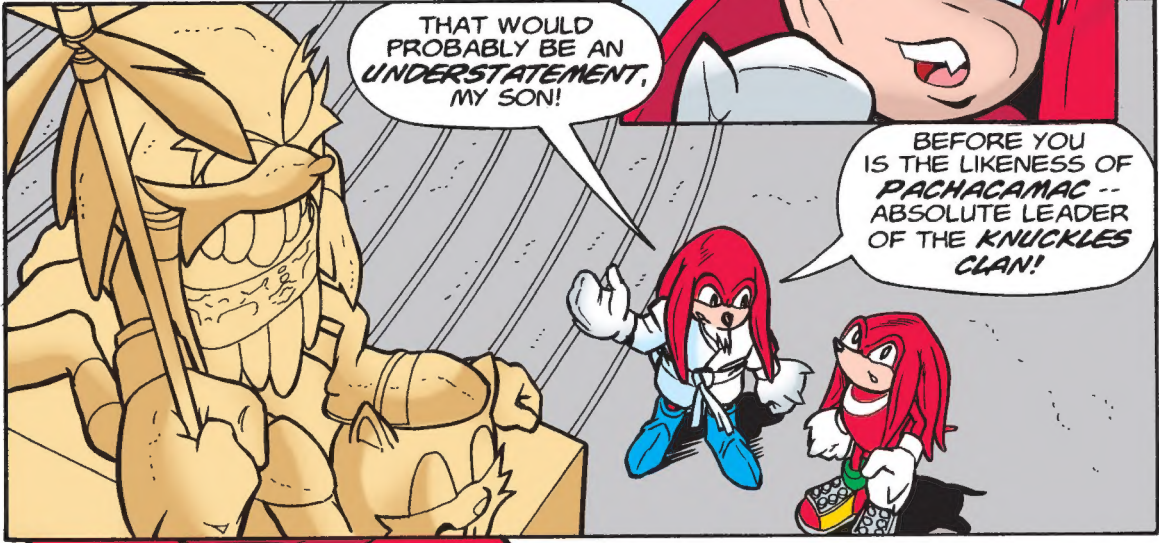


KNUCKLES.

FATHER.

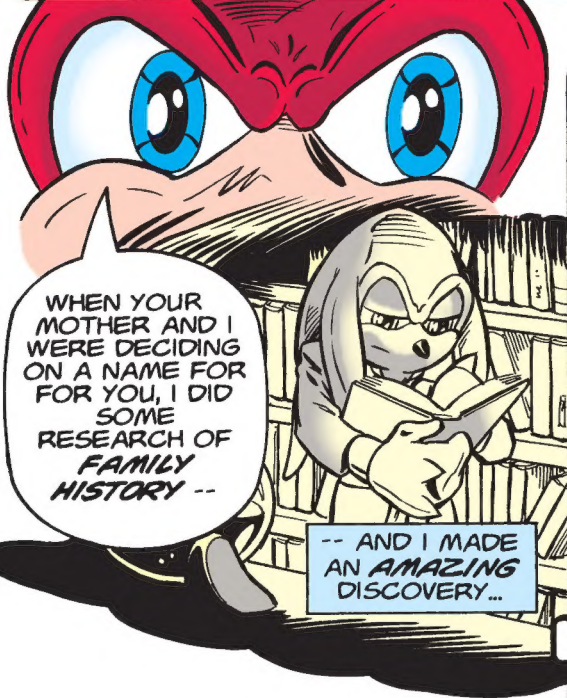
THAT'S QUITE THE ROCK!

I TAKE IT THESE GUYS DON'T THINK MUCH OF ECHIDNAS!



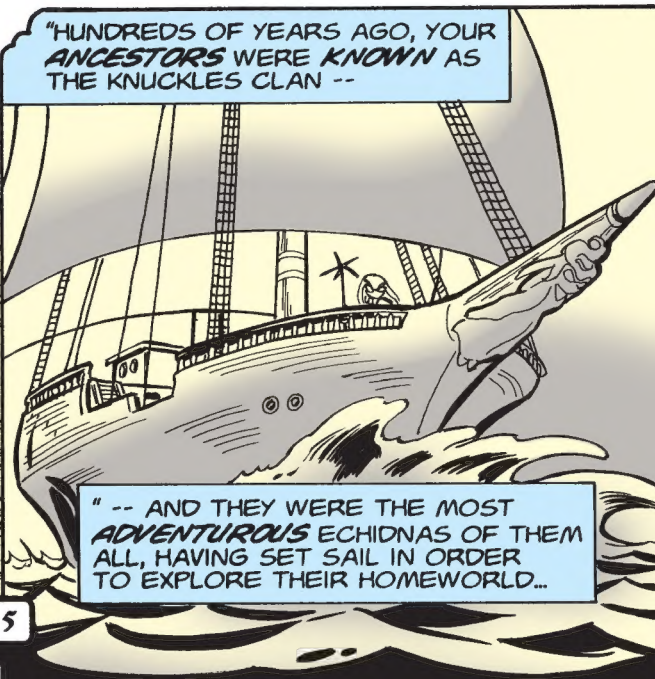
THAT WOULD PROBABLY BE AN UNDERSTATEMENT, MY SON!

BEFORE YOU IS THE LIKENESS OF PACHACAMAC -- ABSOLUTE LEADER OF THE KNUCKLES CLAN!



WHEN YOUR MOTHER AND I WERE DECIDING ON A NAME FOR YOU, I DID SOME RESEARCH OF FAMILY HISTORY --

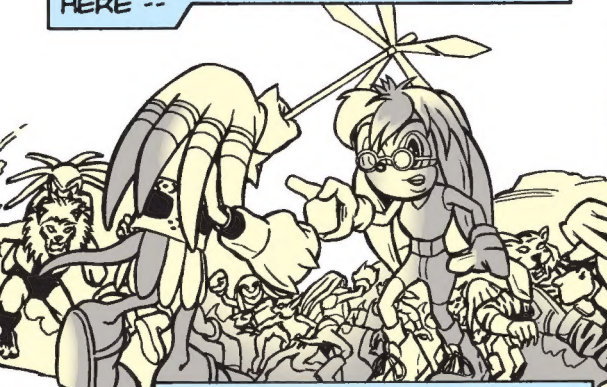
-- AND I MADE AN AMAZING DISCOVERY...



"HUNDREDS OF YEARS AGO, YOUR ANCESTORS WERE KNOWN AS THE KNUCKLES CLAN --

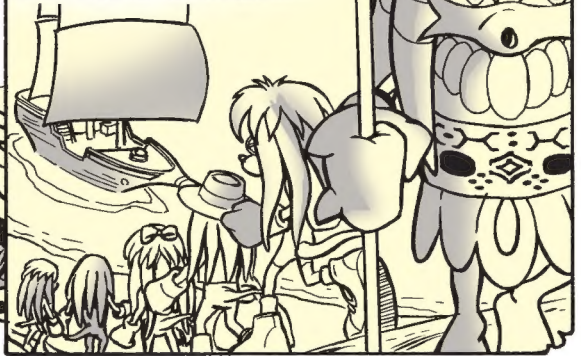
" -- AND THEY WERE THE MOST ADVENTUROUS ECHIDNAS OF THEM ALL, HAVING SET SAIL IN ORDER TO EXPLORE THEIR HOMETOWN...

"WHEN THEY EVENTUALLY REACHED THIS LAND, PACHACAMAC LED THE **WARRIOR** FACTION OF THE FAMILY AGAINST THE **NATIVES** WHO LIVED HERE --

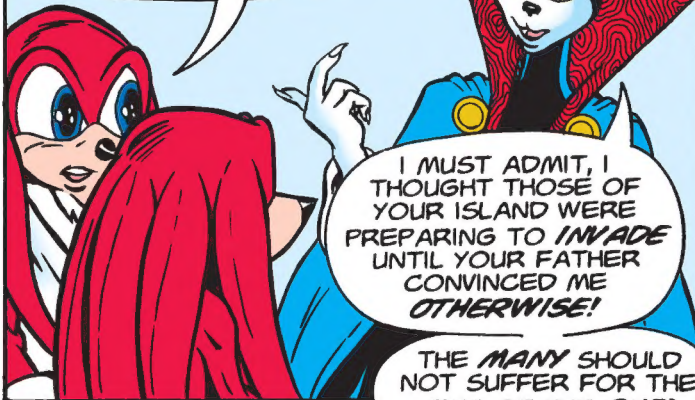


" -- MUCH TO THE **DISMAY** OF THE REST OF THE FAMILY...

"THE **SCHOLARS** AND **LABORERS** OF THE GROUP **REJECTED** PACHACAMAC AND HIS FOLLOWERS, EVEN **RENOUNCING** ANY CLAIM TO THE **KNUCKLES'** **FAMILY NAME**, AND DEPARTED TO SETTLE ELSEWHERE...



AFTER MUCH THOUGHT, I FELT IT TIME THE FAMILY **RECLAIM** ITS NAME AND HERITAGE -- BEGINNING WITH YOU!



I MUST ADMIT, I THOUGHT THOSE OF YOUR ISLAND WERE PREPARING TO **INVADE** UNTIL YOUR FATHER CONVINCED ME **OTHERWISE!**

THE **MANY** SHOULD NOT SUFFER FOR THE SINS OF THE **ONE!**

WHOA!



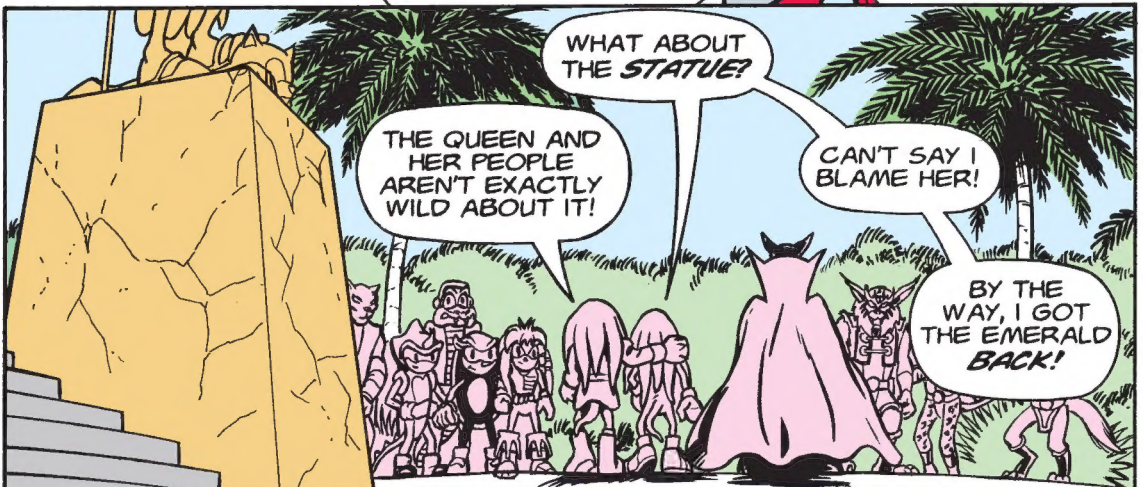
AT LEAST WE DIDN'T PULL YOUR NAME OUT OF A HAT!

WHAT ABOUT THE **STATUE?**

THE **QUEEN** AND HER PEOPLE AREN'T EXACTLY WILD ABOUT IT!

CAN'T SAY I **BLAME** HER!

BY THE WAY, I GOT THE **EMERALD BACK!**



OUR **SONIC ADVENTURE** MAY BE OVER, BUT **KNUCKLES'** SAGA CONTINUES IN THE PAGES OF **SONIC SUPER SPECIAL #14**, THEN JOIN US IN **SONIC #88** AS **RAD RED** BEGINS A **NEW PHASE** OF ADVENTURES!